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## La Peña Cultural Center

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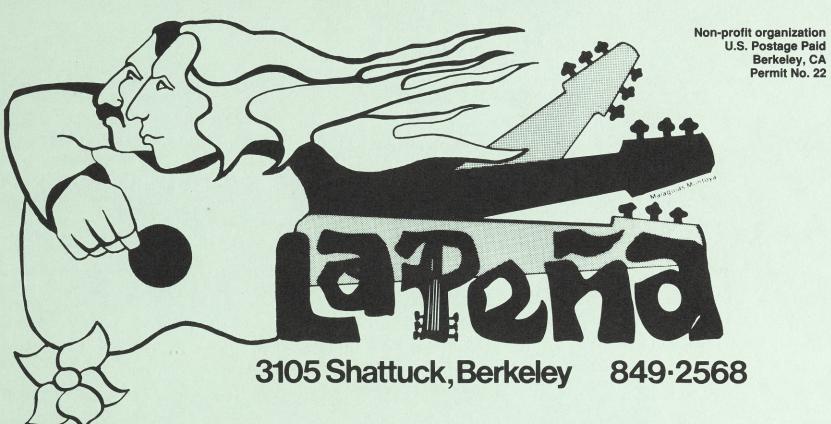
# La Tienda Gift Shop & Ticket Outlet

Tue-Fri 1-8 pm Sat. 10-8 pm **Closed Monday** 

### Café Violeta

Open for dinner from 5:30pm. 843-0662 Brunch on Sat. & Sun. 9:30am - 2pm Closed Mondays





#### February 1988 **Cultural Center Calendar**

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r indicates that tarjetas (La Peña discount cards) not valid Programs subject to change. La Peña is wheelchair accessible.	1 Closed Cerrado	Benefit slideshow with the Bay Area Construction Brigade. The Brigade sends North Americans to Nicaragua to help build houses, schools, & other projects. The slideshow is about the activities of the 1987 Brigade. Proceeds to help send the next brigade. Questions & answers. 7:30pm \$3-\$5	Black History Month Film Series. Two films. Now is the Time (36min., b/w) Two of America's finest actors, Ruby Dee & Ossie Davis, narrate this documentary about the civil rights movement. Plus, A Time for Burning (58min., 1966, b/w) A documentary of the failure to integrate a church in Omaha, Nebraska. 7:30pm Free	Casa Chile presenta el video informativo Teleanálisis, con los hechos más importantes de Sept. y Oct. 87 : El 1er aniversario del asesinato del periodista José Carrasco, el paro Nacional del 7 de Octubre y otros más. Chela, documental sobre la vida de los jóvenes bajo la dictadura. Chela es una joven de la población La Legua; su vida es la de la juventud reprimida en Chile. 7:30pm. \$3 In Spanish.	5 Improv Comedy. Join us for an evening of music & belly laughs. Improv comedy at its best with the unforgettable characters of Over Our Heads Comedy Troupe. And music by the wild & wonderful Spoolle Sisters, girl group sounds from the 40's to the 80's. 8pm \$6-\$8 sliding scale	La Peña kid's program with stories by Mark Freeman & music by Nancy Raven.  10:30am \$3 adults \$2 kids  The Sparks Fly: Fueling the Fight for Free Speech Rights.  A benefit for Merle Woo's second battle against UC Berkeley. Poetry with Francisco Alarcón, Mary Tallmountain, Nellie Wong, & Opal Palmer Adisa. Music by Swingshift. 7:30pm \$6-15 sliding scale. For info call 334-1853 or 864-1278.
CafeVioleta is open for brunch on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:30am to 2pm!  Berkeley Sister City Delegation to El Salvador. School board member Steve Lustig reports on his journey to re-populated San Antonio Los Ranchos. Slide presentation. Sponsored by Berkeley-El Salvador Sister City Project. 7:30pm \$3-\$6 sliding scale	8 Closed Cerrado	9 What are the Chances for Peace in Central America? Update & analysis The Arias Plan, Contra Aid Vote, & morewith staff from the Central America Research Instititute. 7:30pm \$3	10 Black History Film Series. 3 Films. Tribute to Malcolm X (b/w, 15 min.) The influence of Malcolm X upon the Black Liberation movement is captured on film through an interview with his widow, Bettty Shabazz. Plus, Martin Luther King: From Montgomery to Memphis (b/w, 27min.) Plus, Harriet Tubman & the Underground Railroad (54min.,b/w. '64) Stars Ruby Dee & Ossie Davis. 7:30pm Free	11 Concert with Peppino D'Agostino. Nicknamed the "Italian Guitar Wizard," this composer, singer & guitar virtuoso is known throughout Europe for his ability to span a wide range of musical styles with his guitar, creating a richness of sound & a performing vitality that compels people to join him on his musical journeys. 8pm \$6	12 Carnaval Night with Bira Almeida & Corpo Santo. A special show to invoke the spirit of carnaval. Capoeira demonstration & samba music by these masters of Brazilian dance music.  Capoeira show: 9:30pm (limited seating) Dance: 11pm \$6 admission	Plum City Players kid's program with Carolyn Brandy-percussion for all! 10:30am \$3 adults \$2 kids.  Dance I-World International Rockers. Valentine's lover's rock ball & record release party. Dance to Caribbean rhythms-Reggae, Soca, Rock Steady. Free record for the first 30 people admitted. 9:30pm \$6
Theater: Volces of Rage by Salaelo Maredi 3pm \$6adv/\$8 door. See back for details  Women in Chile. Silvia Lamadrid, sociologist & activist in Chile today. Ms. Lamadrid is in the leadership of CODEM (Committee for the Defense of Women's Rights) & MEMCH (Movement for the Emancipation of Chilean Women). Program features music by Lichi Fuentes. Sponsored by COSOCHI. 7pm \$4-\$6	15 Closed Cerrado	16 International Indian Treaty Council Benefit. Commemorative program to celebrate 10th anniversary of the Longest Walk & the 15th anniversary of Wounded Knee. Slideshow about the Longest Walk. Speakers. 7:30pm \$3	17 Black History Film Series. Two films about Haiti, Voyage of Dreams (color, 30min.) Award-winning documentary tells the story of the Haitian boat people. Plus, Bitter Cane (75min.,color) Examines the history & contemporary reality of Haiti, from the 1804, to the U.S. Marine occupation (1915), to the repressive Duvalier regime. Clandestinely filmed, this documentary is as relevant as ever. 7:30pm \$4	18 Friends of Nicaraguan Culture & Visions Present Third Thursdays on the Lighter Side, relevance & irreverence from Bay Area comedians. A side-splitting, mind tingling, block buster event featuring Dave Lippman (aka George Schrub), Paddy Morrissey (aka Rapmaster Ronnie), & members of the Plutonium Players & Culture Clash. 7:30pm \$5	Savor the drama & color of El Cuadro Flamenco as this critically acclaimed troupe brings to La Peña's stage the color of Southern Spain. The toupe features an array of singers, dancers, & guitarist. 8:30pm \$9	20 La Peña kid's program with stories by Sandra Baldaran Escobar & music by Nancy Raven. 10:30am \$3 adults \$2 kids.  Dance Conjunto Céspedes plays Afro-cuban dance music in a style that's traditional in origin but contemporary in sound. Come dance to rumbas, sones, guajiras & more. The band sounds better than ever! 9:30pm \$6
21 Concert with Charlie King. Folksinger/song-writer Charlie King brings his particular brand of topical songs & good natured singing to uplift our spirits in the tradition of Pete Seeger, Woody Guthrie, Holly Near, & Tom Paxton. "One of the finest singers & songwriters of the 70's & 80's."Pete Seeger. His latest album "Feelings of Fire" features songs such as "Eat Meese". 8pm \$6 in advance, \$7 at the door.	22 Closed Cerrado	23 Update on the Miskito Refugee Repatriation Process & the Central American Peace Accord. Dr. Roxanne Dunbar Ortiz will speak about the current efforts to repatriate the Miskito Indians along the Atlantic coast of Nicaragua. 7:30pm \$3	24 Concert, Brooks Williams. An exciting New England based guitarist, songwriter & singer that draws on many diverse (and some- times disparate) styles & tech- niques. He assimilates rock, reggae & folk, & couples them with the spontaneity of improvi- sation to create a sound with a fresh, eclectic edge. 7:30pm \$5	A hilarious look into the Chicano-Latino reality in America. A typical CC show is a spicy blend of outrageous skits, standup comedy, improvisation, music vaudeville, audience participation, dancing, social commentary, rap singing, contemporary satire, celebrity impersonations, belly laughs, poetry, musings, solo shots, low blows and high comedy. Culture Clash is right at the forefront of Chicano/Latino theatre, breaking all cultural barriers, through a universal concept: laughter!  All shows 8pm. Tickets \$8. Available at La Tienda at La Peña. For more information llame 849-2572.		27 Plum City Players kid's program with stories by Gay Ducey. 10:30am \$3 adults, \$2 kids.  1pm &2:30pm Salsa workshops with Linda Arizona. Advanced session. See back for details.  Dance Charanga Tumbao y Cuerdas cooks up a tasty treat of Afro-Cuban dance music. 9:30pm \$6
Big Band Music: Cal Alumni Big Band. Led by John Coppola, former lead trumpet with Woody Herman, Stan Kenton, & Charlie Barnett, the Band honors the tradition of jazz big bands like Count Basie & Woody Herman. Special guest trumpet player, Johnny Coles. Nowhere else are you going to get 4-part harmony in counter- point & still have it swing like this! 7pm \$5	29 Closed Cerrado	MARCH 1  Benefit report back by a Bay Area Women's Delegation to El Salvador featuring a slide show & video footage from the 1st Women's Conference for Peace with news of women's participation in the mass movement. 7:30pm \$3-\$5 sliding scale.	Program to be announced. La Tienda is open from 1pm-8pm. Café Violeta is open for dinners starting at 5:30pm. The Café is open for breakfast- brunch on Sat. & Sun. from 9:30am-2pm.			La Peña kid's program. see March Calendar for details. 10:30am \$3 adults \$2 kids.  Brazilian dance with Marcos Santos & Black Orpheus. 9:30pm \$6



# Celebrate **Black History Month**

Wednesday Film Series

Feb 3- Now is the Time; A Time For Burning Feb 10- Tribute to Malcolm X; Martin Luther King:From Montgomery to Memphis; Harriet Tubman & the Underground Railroad Feb 17- Voyage of Dreams; Bitter Cane

**Voices Of Rage:** 

Feb 14 South African Theater by Salaelo Maredi.

Afro-Cuban Dance Music Feb. 20 & 27

# HIGHLIGHTS



#### **Voices Of Rage** Sunday 14, 3pm

Voices Of Rage, the latest theatrical-musical work by acclaimed South African playwright Selaelo Maredi, author of Homeland and Sinning in Sun City. In Voices of Rage, three women, young and lonely, courageous and determined, all widowed, relate to their reality-the reality of South Africa. Their stories weave together in a compelling tale of struggle and hope.



Wednesday 17, 7:30pm

Two films about Haiti. **Voyage of Dreams** is an award-winning documentary about the Haitian boat people-why they flee their homeland, risking the perilous voyage to the U.S. Plus, Bitter Cane, a clandestinely filmed examining the history of Haiti up to the Duvalier period.



### **Charlie King** Sunday 21, 8pm

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Pete Seeger called him "...one of the finest singers and songwriters of the 70's and 80's." Charlie sings old favorites and new songs from his recent album "Feelings of Fire" . His concerts are always filled with insight and inspiration for the times we live in.



### **Culture Clash** Thursday 25 & Friday 26 Thursday & Friday March 3 & 4

As americano as apple pie with cheese enchiladas, Culture Clash was born on Cinco de Mayo in 1984 in San Francisco's Mission district. The rest is comic history ... The original Clash - Richard Montoya, René Yáñez, Marga Gómez, José Antonio Burciaga, Herbert Sigüenza and Monica Palacios - produced a winning combination that appealed to an audience of same kinds of locos that were on stage. Shortly afterwards, Ricardo "Slic Rick" Salinas joined the fun and the troupe was invited by Luis Valdez to perform at the famed Teatro Campesino Playhouse. In 1986 and 1987 Culture Clash continued to perform at nightclubs, universities, theaters, and on barrio corners throughout California and the U.S. They performed at Joseph Papp's Festival Latino in New York City and and the current lineup of Herbert Sigüenza, Richard Salinas & Richard Montoya recently shared the stage with Ruben Blades in Los Angeles. La Peña is proud to present, once again, the best Latino Comedy Troupe in the whole pinche mundo. No se lo

#### Salsa Workshops Saturday 27

Dance instructor Linda Arizona will initiate adventurous and advanced salsa dancers into the intricacies and fine points of Latin dance and salsa. An advanced sessions will be held, at 1pm - 2:30pm. Workshop fees are on a voluntary basis and will benefit La Peña. This is a golden opportunity to refine your salsa techniques and help La Peña at the same time!

#### Café Violeta Presents: **Music Videos From Latin America**

Due to the great response to the videos shown in December, Café Violeta will present videos of Latin American music on Wednesdays and alternate Saturdays. The screenings are free to the public, and include footage of some of the greatest Nueva Canción and other Latin music events of the last decade. Showtimes are 7:30 pm on Tuesdays and 9 pm on Saturdays. Here's the schedule for February:

Wed. 3- Cutumay Camones; Quilapayun

Wed. 10- Mayoya (Nicaragua); Atlantic **Coast Music** Saturday 13- Intl. Music Festival in Nicaragua; Mancotal Wed. 17-Osvaldo Torres; Grupo Raiz; Los Olimareños Saturday 27- Silvio Rodriguez; Virulo; mercedes Sosa en Espana

Also -- On the first and third Saturday of each month hear Higher Ground singing Gospel and Freedom Songs, free in Café Violeta.

fundraising. Since 1975, the bulk of La Peña's support has come from the community in the form of volunteer work & contributions. Without this support we could not exist. We are a not-for-profit tax-exempt organization & we urge all of you who appreciate our diversity of programs to make a donation to keep us around for another year. Over one quarter of our budget comes from \$10, \$15 & \$25 contributions & from our monthly sustainers.						
☐ Enclosed is my \$ tax deductible donation to support La Peña & to receive the calendar of events.						
☐ Please send me the calendar of events for a year (enclosed is \$2 to cover cost)						

La Peña is a multi-cultural center open six nights a week for concerts, films, dances, & grassroots

- ☐ Please send me a tarjeta de compañerismo (La Peña program discount card) for \$25
- ☐ I would like to become a La Peña sustainer. Enclosed is my first monthly pledge of \$

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# **Community Center Calendar**

Since 1975 more than 300 community groups have used our facilities. The use of our space by these organizations does not mean that La Peña endorses the views presented. La Peña feels that it is important to help stimulate an environment conducive to discussion and understanding among different peoples.

#### Wednesdays Intercambio/Exchange

An opportunity to practice your Spanish with "La famosa Sra. Hilda." Sra. Hilda leads sessions for those who wish to practice and converse in Spanish in an informal setting. A public service offered by La Peña. Starts 5:30pm-7pm.

Wednesdays in February 7pm Financial Planning and Investing From A Socially **Responsible Perspective** 

A series of four workshops led by Eric Leenson, MBA, a co-founder and former staff member of La Peña. Eric, currently of Progressive Asset Management, will cover many areas of personal finance that concern every household:

- 1. Socially Responsible Investing: Myths & Realities
- 2. Financial Planning: Taking Charge of Your Fi-
- 3. Risk Management: Avoiding Financial Catastrophe
- 4. Income Tax Planning: Minimizing Your Tax Burden
- 5. Fixed Income Investments: Bond Basics
- 6. Stocks and Mutual Funds: Essential Terminology and Arithmetic
- 7. Retirement Plannning: IRA, SEP, 401K, Keogh, 403B, Annuities.
- 8. Diversification: Inflation Hedges & Growth Oppor-

Enrollment is limited. For information call 849-2572. Registration fee: \$50. All proceeds benefit La Peña.

#### Café Exhibit

The mixed media works of Eliza Shefler will be on display. Her work focuses on music, mythology, and metamorphosis.

#### 1988 CALENDARS DISCOUNTED! AT LA TIENDA

Guatemala Rainbow Calendar Syracuse Cultural Workers Peace Calendar many others

#### **Benefit Book Sale on** Sun. Feb. 21 - noon to 6pm

Benefit book sale in the cultural center to benefit the people of El Salvador. All proceeds go to aid projects in El Salvador. Books on all subjects. Time of book sale is from noon to 6pm. Sponsored by Oakland/Berkeley C.I.S.P.E.S. Call 644-3636 for more info.



Cultural Vision and Struggle in the 80's February 19, 20 & 21, 1988 · Women's Building, San Francisco

<u>ImaginAction</u> is a conference which will explore the many analyses experiences that cultural workers and activist artists have developed in their daily lives. It is sponsored by the Alliance for Cultural Democracy, a twelve year old national organization for community-based arts programs and activist artists. Be sides performances and exhibits, the conference will feature workshops on a wide range of current issues, including Multicultural/Multiracial Work, Working with Labor, Rural Culture, Oral History, The New Song Movement, Cultural Policy, Old and New Forms, Community Radio, and more. For more information, contact the numbers below.

Sponsored by the Alliance for Cultural Democracy Organizing Committee, P.O. Box 9570, Berkeley, CA 94709, (415) 848-6397 Registration fee \$65/\$35 low income; after Jan. 19 \$10 more Registration with credit card may be made by phone